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In re PATENT APPLICATION of
Inventor(s): Mills

Group Art Unit: 1754

App'n Ser. No.: 09/009,455

Examiner(s): Langel for the
Secret Committee

Filing Date: 1/20/1998

Title: HYDRIDE FUEL AND EXPLOSIVE

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August 7, 2002

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUING EXAMINATION PURSUANT TO
37 C.F.R. § 1.114, INCLUDING SUBMISSION OF: (1) AMENDMENT;
(2) RULE 132 DECLARATION AND NEW EXPERIMENTAL EVIDENCE;
(3) INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT; AND (4) REQUEST FOR
FULL CONSIDERATION OF RESPONSE FILED JANUARY 7, 2002**

Hon. Asst. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant files this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in this case
pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claim 281 as follows:

- 281. An explosive material comprising:

a compound comprising hydrido hydride ion and at least one other element,
wherein the hydrido hydride ion has a binding energy of about 0.65eV, which upon
decomposition produces a hydrogen molecule having a binding energy of about 8,928
eV, and

a means for detonating the compound.